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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0024] at page 4, line 15 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

--[0024] The pages of the book 40 may be made of any suitable material. In preferred embodiments, the pages of the book 40 comprise sheets of continuous high-density polyethylene fibers that are randomly distributed and non-directional. An exemplary material is a sheet product having man-made fibers and filaments sold under the trademark TYVEK that has such characteristics is TyvekTM, which is commercially available from DuPont. Materials such as this are thin, flexible, and tear resistant. They are also thin and slippery and consequently allow more pages to be used (e.g., before the pages themselves activate switches).

Please replace paragraph [0026] at page 4, line 31 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

--[0026] A plurality of electrical elements (not shown) may be under the surface. In some embodiments, each electrical element is a pressure-sensitive switch that is activated by pressure. A suitable pressure-sensitive switch may comprise, for example, facing conductive regions that are separated by an air gap. Pressure applied to the conductive regions causes the facing conductive regions to contact each other closing the switch. Another type of electrical element may be a piezoelectric type element. Pressure can be applied to the piezoelectric type element causes it to change resistance. Pressure can be applied by, for example, a finger or a marking instrument such as a crayon that is above the electrical element. Some preferred pressure switches ean be MylarTM type switches that are disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,608,618, which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Please replace paragraph [0027] at page 5, line 7 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

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The pressure sensitive switches may be formed by obtaining a first sheet [0001] including a first conductive material and a relatively flexible second sheet including a second conductive material. The relatively flexible second sheet may comprise a flexible film product sold under the trademark MYLAR a MylarTM sheet that has conductive patterns printed on it. Dielectric dots or other spacers can be between the first and second sheets. These dielectric spacers may be printed on either the first sheet or the second sheet, or may be formed independently of the first and the second sheets. In some embodiments, the dielectric spacers may have different heights at different x-y locations to provide for variable sensitivity across a platform. For example, a first active region of a platform near the spine region of a book may have thinner spacers and a second active region near the edges of the pages of the book may have thicker spacers. As a result, the first active region may be more sensitive to activation or user interaction than the second active region. This is desirable, since it is often more difficult to press down on pages near the spine of a book to active switches underneath the book than it is to press down on pages near the edges of the pages of the book to active switches underneath the book. Accordingly, in such embodiments, the physical structures of the switches in the platform may provide for a variable sensitivity response in the x-y plane of a platform. In other embodiments, it is possible to program the electronics in the platform so that different electrical elements are provided with different levels of sensitivity to a user's interaction with a book on the platform.